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WEATHER FORECAST

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TELEGRAMS.

THE TURKISH CRISIS.

NAZIM PASHA'S END.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, January 25.
Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople telegraphs that when the demonstrators, headed by Enver Bey, forced their way into the Grand Vizierate they sought to enter the Council Chamber, but Nazim Pasha, Kaimil Pasha's aide-de-camp, fired at them with his revolver. The demonstrators replied, killing him, and Nazim Pasha's aide-de-camp shot one of the demonstrators, named Mehmed Nedjil, but was himself immediately shot dead.

Nazim Pasha, hearing the disturbance, rushed out and called the demonstrators ill-mannered and almost immediately he was struck by a bullet and killed. A secret police agent, who was in attendance on the Sheikh-ul-Islam, was also killed in the melee.

Austrian Opinion.

The "Freund Blatt" (Vienna) says that undoubtedly Enver Bey is inspired by a lofty patriotism, but nevertheless a coup d'état amidst the serious crisis must be reprehended throughout Europe. He has exposed his country and his people to incalculable dangers, as Europe had intended to smooth the path of the sorely tried Turkish Empire, but the new turn of affairs is merely a passing episode of ephemeral success. Europe was unanimously in favour of peace.

A Graphic Account.

London, January 26.
Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople wires a graphic and unexpurgated account of Thursday's happenings. This states that a crowd of a hundred, headed by Enver Bey on horseback, and other members of the Committee of Union and Progress, entered the main gateway of the Porte. The guard offered no resistance, and Enver Bey, Nadjib Bey and Talat Bey then entered the Grand Vizierate, where the Council of Ministers was sitting. Kaimil Pasha's aide-de-camp faced the demonstrators in the ante-room of the Council Chamber, but he and Nazim Pasha's aide-de-camp and secret agent were shot dead, while Nazim Pasha, in coming out from the Council meeting, fell dead with a bullet through his head.

The Alternative.

Enver Bey told Kaimil Pasha that he must either swear to continue the war or resign. Kaimil Pasha, who throughout was most cool, chose to resign, and the Ministers remained prisoners till two o'clock in the morning, when they were released.

The crowd outside increased to several hundred and patriotic and warlike speeches were delivered, prayers said and chants sung.

Indian Feeling.

Two British Indians harangued a Moslem gathering and said that India was with the Turks heart and soul. The opponents of the Committee of Union and Progress were hunted down and took refuge in the Embassies.

HERO OF LADYSMITH.

A NATIONAL MEMORIAL.

London, January 25.
A total of £800 has been subscribed to the fund for a national memorial to the late Field-Marshal Sir George White, the hero of Ladysmith.

TELEGRAMS.

PEACE PROSPECTS.

DELEGATES UNINSTRUCTED.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, January 25.
The Turkish Peace Mission is still without instructions. The Balkan delegates in London are still awaiting instructions. Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople says the drafting of the reply to the Note from the Powers is delayed somewhat owing to the difficulty of finding a titular head for the Foreign Office, but as the Cabinet is anxious not to keep the Powers waiting, it will probably reply without waiting for a Foreign Minister if the appointment is delayed.

The Balkan delegates have telegraphed their Governments at length asking for further instructions in view of the possibility of a long delay in the Powers' reply to the Note. The delegates declare that they would have broken off the negotiations but for a desire to consider the feelings of the Powers.

The Balkan Decision.

London, January 26.
The Balkan delegates have appointed a committee to draft a letter to the Turkish delegates announcing their decision, which will probably be presented tomorrow.

Negotiations Broken Off.

Later.
The Balkan delegates have decided to break off the peace negotiations.

Greek Attack Renewed.

Reuter's correspondent at Athens states that the weather having improved, the Crown Prince has renewed the attack on the Turkish positions in front of Bizani. The Turks have been considerably reinforced and are resisting the attack desperately.

Relieving Distress.

Reuter's correspondent at Cetinje states that two million kilograms of corn, the gift of the Czar to relieve the distress among Montenegrins, have arrived at Antivari.

Roumania's Resolve.

Reuter's correspondent at Bukharest wires that a meeting of the Cabinet Council, at which His Majesty the King presided, has decided upon the course to pursue in order to bring the negotiations with Bulgaria to an immediate issue. It was decided not to mobilise the troops.

Naval Movements.

Reuter's Malta correspondent telegraphs that the battleships King Edward and Zealandia have been ordered to proceed to the East.

A message from Reuter's correspondent at Paris says that the Minister of Marine has ordered the despatch of two more warships to the East in case of necessity.

Reuter's correspondent at Salonika states that H.M.S. Dartmouth arrived there yesterday evening.

FRENCH POLITICS.

THE NEW POLICY.

London, January 25.
The French Chamber of Deputies has passed a vote of confidence in the Government by 324 votes to 77.

M. Briand, the Prime Minister, fainted during the division, but soon recovered.

Despite the vote, M. Briand's declaration of policy is received with hostility. The Premier said the Government would proceed with the completion of Electoral Reform on the basis of an equitable representation of minorities. The vagueness of the pronouncement has angered the advocates of Proportional Representation.

TELEGRAMS.

SUFFRAGE QUESTION.

FRANCHISE BILL DOOMED.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, January 25.

"Reform Bill doomed," the heading in a Radical newspaper, crystallises the comments on yesterday's debate, the only question being as to whether the withdrawal will be announced before or after the division on Sir Edward Grey's amendment. The Cabinet will meet again on Monday morning and announce its decision in the afternoon. Probably it will also intimate that facilities will be given to the Women's Suffrage Bill early next session, thus fulfilling Mr. Asquith's pledge to the non-militant suffragists, who now do not desire Sir Edward Grey's amendment to be pressed to a division, believing that it would be better to wait.

Meanwhile it is understood that the Government will proceed with the Plural Voting Bill, which was read a second time early in 1912.

Radical Anxiety.

The Radicals do not disguise their anxiety as to further skirmishes between the Ministers of State. Mr. Harcourt's speech created a most disagreeable impression, and it would not be edifying if Mr. Lloyd George resorted in his most dashing vein.

A Rapiet Thrust.

One of Mr. Harcourt's gibes at Mr. George, who is a supporter of Mr. Dickinson's amendment, which would exclude four million women workers from the vote, was: "My right hon. friend does not hesitate to take three pence from domestic servants. Does he hesitate to take their opinion?" Mr. Harcourt also declared that the inclusion of women in this Bill would be an abuse of the Parliament Act.

Woman Active.

The Suffragette organisations are most active. Delegates are arriving in London from all parts of the United Kingdom on what is described as "special duty."

Cabinet's Dilemma.

Meanwhile the dilemma of the Cabinet is regarded as greater than ever, and lively scenes are expected on Monday.

Mr. Asquith is spending the week-end in the country.

The Labour party have issued an urgent whip, as there is a prospect of the Franchise Bill being dropped on Monday and the Trades Union Bill taken.

BOOTHS AND MATSHEDS.

Nineteen lots were sold by auction on Saturday at the Race Course by Messrs. Hughes and Hough, consisting of sites on Government land adjacent to the course, for the erection of booths and matted sheds, on the northern side of the Grand Stand. There was a good attendance and prices, which in excess of last year were realised. The lots were as follows:

Lot.	Bent.	Tenant.
1	450	Jockey Club.
2	480	"
3	570	"
4	700	"
5	700	"
6	900	"
7	700	"
8	720	R. J. Remedios.
9	880	"
10	580	A. H. Ritchie.
11	520	Ah Tong Why.
12	530	L. H. Xavier.
13	450	"
14	450	Yerra.
15	470	Rozook.
16	450	"
17	450	"
18	450	"
19	420	"

TELEGRAMS.

LOAN TO CHINA.

THE LATEST OBSTACLE.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, January 25.

Reuter's Agency understands that the latest difficulty in connection with the Chinese Loan concerns the method of nominating Advisers. Although it was originally thought that the transaction could not be completed until the European situation had become clearer, it is now understood that, in view of China's urgent need, the Bankers in the Six Power Group are prepared to agree to an immediate advance as soon as China agrees to their views regarding the appointment of advisers.

FAR EASTERN OLYMPIAD.

Local Athletes Leave To-day.

The athletes chosen to represent Hongkong at the Olympiad to be held in Manila left Hongkong to-day by the Rubi.

The entrants for the events are as follows:

Chan Yin—Broad Jump—High Jump—100 yards dash, 200 yards dash—half mile relay.

Hu Man Fai—100 yards dash—440 yards—880 yards, 220 yards—mile relay—half mile relay—Pole Vault.

Yan Kny Cheung—Broad Jump—Pole Vault—100 yards dash, 220 yards—440 yards—mile relay—half mile relay.

Fung Kai Ming—100 yards dash—100 yards—220 yards—440 yards—mile relay—half mile relay.

Pang Chung Tsung—Broad Jump—half mile relay.

Kwok Shiu Yan—100 yards dash—440 yards—120 yards high hurdles—mile relay—half mile relay.

In Kwan—Swimming, 40 yards—200 yards on back—Plunge for distance.

Moy Hing—Swimming, 40 yards—100 yards—180 yards relay—10 mile bicycle race.

J. A. Lam—Swimming, 100 yards on back—220 yards breast stroke—160 yards relay—10 mile bicycle race.

George Lee—Swimming, 40 yards—100 yards—220 yards—220 yards breast stroke—440 yards—one mile, 100 yards on back—160 yards relay—10 mile bicycle race—putting 16 lb. shot.

George Lipp—Swimming, 40 yards—100 yards—220 yards—220 yards breast stroke—440 yards—one mile—100 yards on back—160 yards relay.

Wei Wing Lock—Tennis.

Wong Po Kie—Tennis.

Football Team.

Fung Kai Ming, Kwok Shiu Yan, Kwok Po Kan, Pang Chung Tsung, Pang Kop Yan, Mok Hing, Ip Kwan, Tong Fook Tsung, Leung Wing Tai, Cheung Wing Hon, Yan Kay Cheung.

Speaking of the Hongkong representatives, Mr. F. H. Mohler, Secretary of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. in the colony, gave some interesting particulars.

Chan Yik has done 10 feet 3 inches in the broad jump, and he can do better, our informant said. Hu Man Fai has done the hundred yards several times under eleven seconds, and Kwok Shiu Yan has run the quarter mile in 52 and 53 seconds steadily.

Wei Wing Lock and Wong Po Kie have won several tennis matches over the Europeans in the colony, and Mr. Mohler said that he looked for good results from them.

With regard to football, our informant stated that Fung Kai Ming (Captain) is an old Queen's College boy, and that more than half of the team that he is taking to Manila played in the National Chaponship game at Nanking two years ago, and won.

TELEGRAMS.

AVIATION FEAT.

FLIGHT ACROSS ALPS.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, January 25.

A message from Domo d'Ossola (Italy) says that the aviator Signor Bielovucic left Brique this afternoon, and flew across the Alps in 25 minutes, landing safely here.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

ENGLAND DEFEAT FRANCE.

London, January 25.
The Rugby match England v. France at Twickenham resulted in a win for England by 20 points to nil.

TELEGRAMS.

AUSTRALIAN NAVY.

THE FIRST CRUISER.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, January 26.

Reuter's correspondent at Sydney states that the Cockatoo Island Dockyard has been transferred to the Federal authorities, and the keels of H.M.S. Brisbane, the first cruiser to be built in Australia, and of the destroyers Torrens and Derwent, have been laid down.

ALLEGED COUNTERFEIT COINS.

At the Police Court, this afternoon, before F. A. Hazeland, four Chinese were charged by Sergeant Grant with making counterfeit Chinese twenty cent pieces, Hongkong one cent copper coins, and Chinese one cent coins.

Mr. Davidson, of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, defended the first and third defendants; Mr. Dennis Jnr., of Messrs. Dennis and Bowley, defended the second, and Mr. Goldring, of Messrs. Goldring, Barlow and Morrell the fourth.

Sergeant Grant in a lengthy description of the circumstances leading up to the case said on the 4th inst., the police executed a warrant under the Counterfeit Coin Ordinance at 121, Queen's Road West, second floor, where the four defendants were found. The first defendant kept a medicine shop there. He was also the leading partner in the firm and transacted all the inside business; the second defendant was also a partner and did the outside business. The third defendant was a foki employed by the first defendant. The fourth defendant was unemployed but was formerly in the employ of the Government. The officer then went on to describe what the police found and stated that acids, dies, sand for cleaning coins, two small crucibles containing old metal, a quantity of alum, melted metal, a bellows, a pan sprinkled with metal, and were counterfeit coins all found. On the third defendant, he would prove that ten base twenty cent pieces were found.

The Magistrate and the solicitors adjourned to inspect the premises.

WEEKEND MURDERS.

Two Women Done to Death.

The police report that a woman in a village boat at Shaukiwan was murdered and robbed by four men who engaged her boat some time on Sunday night after eleven o'clock. The motive was apparently robbery. There were two women on the boat. The men assaulted the first woman, cutting her badly about the face and mouth with a knife. They then put her in the hold and attacked the other woman who was killed by strangulation.

Old Woman Murdered.

The police also report that an old woman aged 68 years, was found strangled at Aberdeen, on Saturday night. The old woman, who was bound and gagged, apparently lived alone. She was found by the wife of an adopted son.

Japanese Admiral.

The Vice-Admiral of the 2nd Japanese Squadron, paid an official visit to the Receiving ship, H. M. S. Tamar, this morning, and was accorded the customary salute.

Dr. Mott in Singapore.

Dr. Mott who will shortly arrive in Hongkong, gave a lecture on education in the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Singapore, on the 22nd inst. The Hon. R. J. Wilkinson, C.M.G., presided.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

TELEGRAMS.

THE NEWS CONDENSED.

The aviator M. Bielovucic has crossed the Alps on an airship.

Britain and France are sending more warships to the Near East.

The Balkan delegates have decided to break off the peace negotiations.

In a Rugby match England beat France at Twickenham by 20 points to nil.

The Balkan and the Turkish delegates in London are still without instructions.

The naval dockyard at Cockatoo Island has been transferred to the Australian Federal authorities.

There is a likelihood of the Franchise Bill being dropped to-day and the Trades Union Bill taken.

The latest difficulty regarding the Six Power Loan to China concerns the method of nomination of advisers.

So far £8,000 has been subscribed to the fund for a national memorial to Field Marshal Sir George White.

The Greeks have renewed the attack on the Turks in front of Bizani, and the latter are desperately resisting.

The keels of H.M.S. Brisbane, the first cruiser to be built in Australia, and of two destroyers, have been laid down.

Telegrams gives the circumstances which led up to the tragic murder of Nazim Pasha, whose loss is universally regretted.

If the Franchise Bill is withdrawn, there is every probability that facilities will be given a Women's Suffrage Bill early next session.

"My right hon. friend does not hesitate to take three pence from domestic servants; does he fear to take their opinion?"—Mr. Harcourt to Mr. Lloyd George.

LOCAL.

The Volunteers held a successful church parade yesterday.

The results of Saturday's cricket matches appear to-day.

The Police Court was to-day transferred to the old Law Courts.

Taikoo defeated Hongkong, by 73 points, in the Hongkong Rifle League on Saturday.

The local athletes to take part in the Far Eastern Olympiad at Manila left to-day by the Rubi.

Hongkong F. C. defeated Staff and Departments in the Football Shield Competition on Saturday.

The police report that two women have been murdered—one at Shaukiwan and the other at Aberdeen.

An inter-club race between the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club and Corinthian Yacht Club took place on Sunday.

Only one nomination—that of Mr. O. Montague Ede—has been received for the temporary vacancy on the Legislative Council.

It is reported that a Parsee gentleman of Kowloon has been robbed of jewellery and money to the extent of \$1,314, by a housebreaker.

GENERAL NEWS.

Novelist Visits Siam.

Mr. Edmund Mitchell, the novelist, is visiting Siam. He is the author of "The Temple of Death," "Towards the Eternal Snows," "Chickabiddy Stories," "Plots of Paris," "The Lone Star Rush," "Only a Nigger," "The Belforts of Culben," "The Despoilers," "In Desert Keeping," and other works. Mr. Mitchell was formerly a journalist in India, Australia, and America, and has travelled widely as a special correspondent.

Heroic Red Cross Nurse.

Among the heroines of the Red Cross work in Montenegro must be numbered Dr. Caroline Mathews, who is working there as a volunteer surgeon. Called out on a terrible night in a keen blizzard, to a wounded officer, she had a bid fall in the darkness on the ill-made road. As she was laden with dressings she was unable to save herself, with the result that she received a fractured jaw, broken teeth, and a badly-cut face. Nevertheless, nothing daunted, she proceeded to her patient and resolutely dressed her hostess (Mrs. Milne), who has made a rapid recovery. Indeed, with a strapped and bandaged face, she was out again amongst her patients in a few days.

Girl Wives in India.

Of girls in India who have not completed their fifth year 302,425 are wives and 17,703 widows, while 50,000 girls in their second year are wives and 112,000 are widows. In March, 1911, there were 4,412,642 girls 15 years of age and under, who had entered the marital state. The influence of Christianity on the lot of women in India is shown (says the "Church Missionary Gleaser") by the fact that, while one in 1,000 Hindu girls under five years is a widow and one in 54 under five years is married, among Christians of the same age only one in 286 is married, and only in 4,700 is a widow. In Travancore and Cochin, where Christianity has had fullest play, among 336,201 girls under five years only 74 are married, and only five are widows; and among Christians, out of 85,481 girls under five only three are married, and not one is a widow.

A Curious Drowning Case in Sarawak.

A curious case of accidental drowning occurred in Sarawak recently. A youth from Kuching, Pulo, was returning to Kuching with a trail of bark wood and anchored for the night in the small stream which forms a shot out between Sintang and Kuching. The boat was the usual kind—an open boat with a tiny cabin, somewhere about the middle into which it is just possible to crawl—and owing to the heavy load there was little freeboard. During the night, whilst the youth slept in the cabin, there was a heavy rain-storm and the boat, it is supposed, filled gradually with water and sank. In the morning the youth's father, who was in other boat close by, but had heard nothing, found his son's body in the cabin. In front of the cabin door several logs had rolled and there seems no doubt that the unfortunate youth was caught in his sleep and penned in the cabin like a rat in a trap, the logs which blocked the doorway preventing his escape.

Good Reading and Preaching.

The Bishop of Carlisle took the opportunity in the course of a recent sermon to say a word or two on the training of the clergy with which most laymen will find themselves in hearty agreement. It was to the effect that greater attention should be given to the technical training of the physical organs necessary for good reading, and that it was a matter of primary importance that all ordinands should possess the physical power necessary to make themselves distinctly heard and understood in public reading and preaching. The Bishop also emphasised the importance of the clergy finding time, or making time, to keep up their studies to keep abreast of current thought in order to retain the interest and attention of the laity. It is, we fear, too often the fact that the over-multiplication of parochial organisations leave the clergy insufficient time adequately to prepare their sermons—a fatal mistake from every standpoint.

SERVICE MATTERS.

Captain Jack, R.E.

Capt. E. M. Jack, R.E., lately with the Uganda Boundary Commission, has been appointed for duty in London.

Col. Ashworth, R.E.

Lieutenant-Colonel P. Ashworth, R.E., Executive Engineer, on return from leave, is appointed Senior Government Inspector of Railways, Circle No. 7 Madras, with the officiating rank of Superintending Engineer, 3rd class, until further orders. Lieut. Percy Ashworth, R.E., was the right hand man of Major McCallum, R.E. (now Governor of Ceylon, just retiring) in the construction of the Singapore defences, 1886-1887.

Wireless in the Army.

The Army authorities are understood to have decided to establish 20 wireless sections, similar to that of the Royal Engineers, at Aldershot. The Pall Mall Gazette learns that each of the new sections will carry its apparatus upon light wagons, capable of keeping pace with the Royal Horse Artillery or the cavalry if necessary. So far, the range of action of this portable installation is not so wide as might be desired, but it is hoped that this will be speedily overcome. As a result of this extension it will be necessary to enlist a number of skilled operators, who will, to a great extent, be called upon to act as teachers. Orders for these additional sets of apparatus are to be placed almost immediately, so that they may be in the hands of those appointed to work them at the opening of the training season for the Army at home on March 1st next.

Reflections on the new Pay.

Royal assent having been given to the new rates of pay in the Navy, it is understood that they will become effective as from the 10th ult. The gratitude of the bulk of the ratings towards the Admiralty for the pay concessions is associated with "a lively sense of favour to come" in the shape of a more adequate grant. In taking this view of the pay concessions the men have been encouraged by a semi-authorised statement of one of their champions in the Press that the total grant of £386,473 is an instalment only. This is more likely, however, to be a case of the wish being father to the thought, and the fleet men will do well to accept all such assurances with the proverbial grain of salt. The sum of £45,000 which represents the increased pay to officers, is regarded as meagre as the £342,000 is considered inadequate for the increase to warrant and petty officers and men, and in neither case has the grant done much to bring about a contented personnel, which is the bedrock of good discipline and efficiency.

H. M. S. "Defence."

The Malta correspondent to the "Naval and Military Gazette" writes:—"Now that the 'Warrior' is to be fitted out as flagship to relieve the 'Indomitable,' the 'Defence' at present on the China station, is to be sent on the Mediterranean in her place. The appointment of Rear-Admiral Jarram to be Commander-in-Chief of the China station was received with much pleasure here, where he established himself firmly whilst second in command of the old Battles fleet. And with the change of officers in command in China waters the likelihood of the change of flagship out there becomes reasonable, especially as the ventilation of the 'Defence' is said to be unsuitable for tropical climates. The appointment of the Committee to consider the question of ventilation in H. M. ships is probably partly an outcome of the reports from the flagship in China. The results will be watched with much interest. The 'Defence,' which is now at Colombo, is proceeding to the Mediterranean, where she will become the flagship of the Rear-Admiral commanding the Mediterranean Cruiser Squadron. Her place in the Far East will be taken by the 'Hampshire,' now at Constantinople. The 'Defence' will fly the flag of Rear-Admiral Ernest Troubridge, and will apparently take the place of the 'Warrior,' which was to have joined the Mediterranean fleet in January next, but is now being kept in home waters.

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CHINESE IN AUSTRALIA.

Number Reduced by Nearly 5000 in Eight Years.

In view of the recent references to the unlawful entry of Chinese into the Commonwealth, the Department for External Affairs has issued a return of the known arrivals and departures since 1904. The figures are as follows:—

Year.	Arrivals.	Departures.	Refused Admission.
1905	1269	2018	70
1906	1134	2016	33
1907	1424	2308	31
1908	1771	2402	89
1909	1729	2341	97
1910	1817	2310	32
1911	2001	2286	53
1912 (nine months)	1972	2219	52

It will be observed from these figures that during the eight years 17,985 Chinese left the Commonwealth, while only 13,121 came in, a difference of 4860. During the same period 466 were refused admission. The fluctuations in the figures under this head are attributed to the fact that more Chinese endeavoured to gain illegal entry in one year than in a little less than eight years would no doubt be gratifying to advocates of the "white Australia" policy, if they could only put trust in the figures. But it is much to be feared that great many Chinese have gained admission into Australia by the practice of some of those crafty tricks for which the "Heathen Chinese" is peculiar. These immigrants for the best of reasons do not figure on the official records.

THE SEALING INDUSTRY.

Herds in Pribiloff Group Increased by 27,000 Seals.

Inquiries have been made by the Ottawa government from Mr. J. C. Newbury collector of customs, for information concerning the monies earned by the sealers who were engaged in pelagic sealing when the new treaty went into effect putting an end to the industry for a term of fifteen years. Several captains, mates and hunters have been questioned and the information, which is indicative that arrange-

ments are under way for the settlement of the question of compensation of the owners and crews of the sealing vessels whose occupation is gone because of the treaty, is being forwarded to Ottawa.

As recently reported, the United States Government has paid over to the Dominion the sum of \$200,000, which under the terms of the treaty it was provided should be advanced from the share Canada is to derive from the proceeds of seal skins taken from the Pribiloff island rookeries, the sum to be used in part for the compensation of the former sealers. The Japanese government received a similar advance from Washington and has made provision for the payment of \$625,000 to its owners and seal hunters.

Canada will benefit largely from the Dominion's share in the rookeries of the North Pacific ocean, being given a percentage in not only the Pribiloff, but also in the Russian and Japanese sealing islands. Recently Prof. Elliott, an authority on seal life, made an estimate showing the probable increase in the herds of the islands of St. Paul and St. George of the Pribiloff group, his figures showing an increase of about 27,000 seals last year. According to his estimate Canada's share in the Behring sea seal herds at the end of the life of the treaty—fifteen years—would total between \$5,000,000 and \$6,000,000. How low was the estimate he made is shown from the actual increase during the last year—the first season during which pelagic sealing was stopped since the City of San Diego went into the northern sea a quarter of a century ago. Mr. Bowers, commissioner of fisheries of the United States, in his last report shows that the increase was over 90,000 seals, the females alone being multiplied from 39,400 to 81,934. The value of Canada's share in the increased number during the last year would alone be almost enough to pay the total claims made by the sealers.

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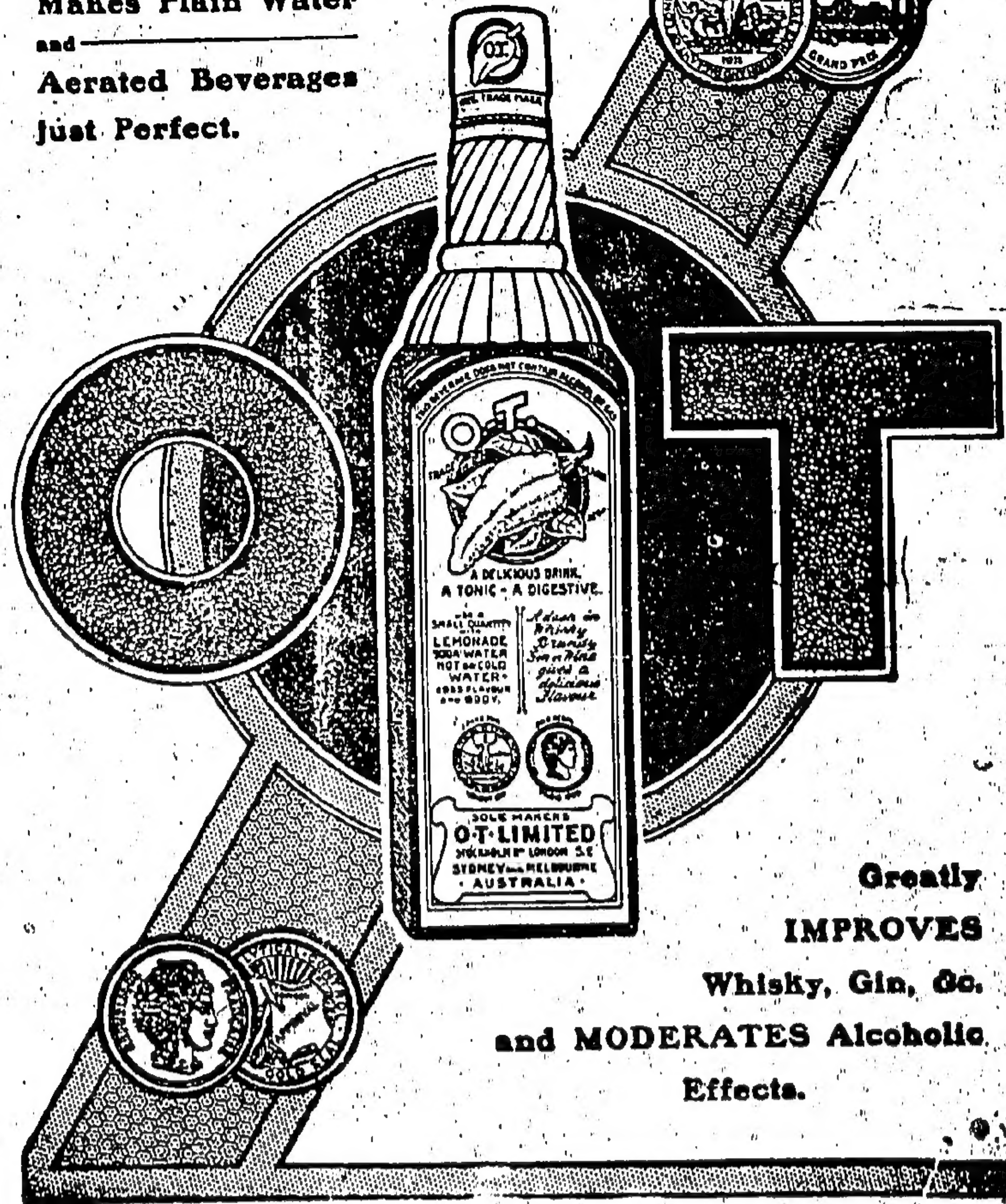
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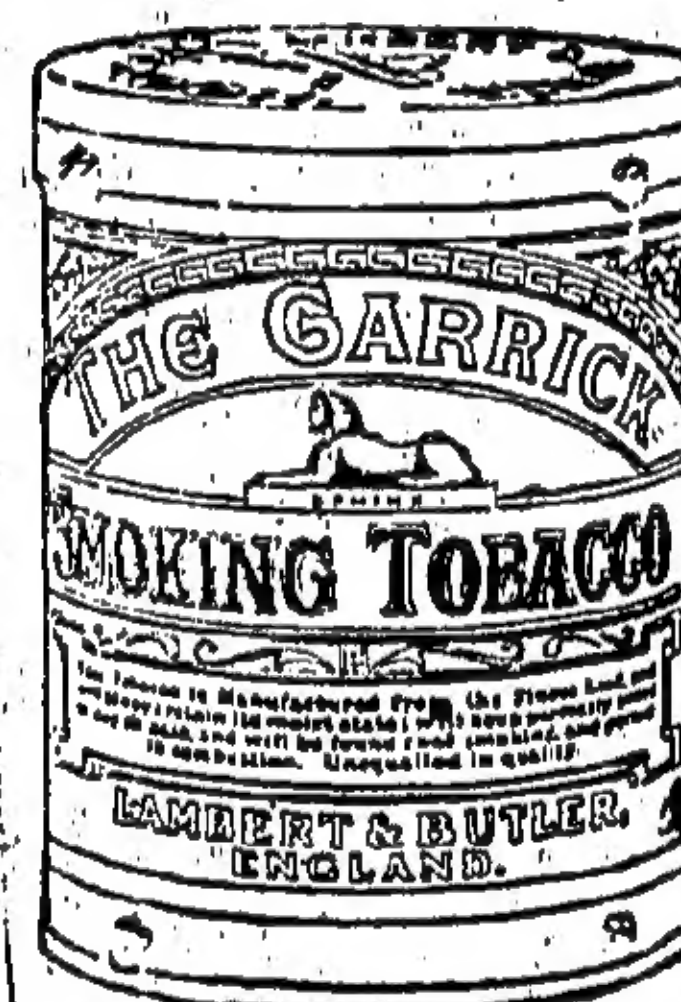
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OPIUM AND THE LAW.

When the new Chinese Republic has had a tithe of Great Britain's experience in handling men, it will probably have learned that, just as the Britisher can never be kept sober by act of Parliament, so its own subjects cannot be restrained from opium indulgence by threats, violence and tortures. For China's own self-respect's sake we hope that she will lose no time in grasping this important fact, for, until she does, she will never be free from the reproaches of other nations. At the present moment civilized countries are pooh-poohing this young republic because all are convinced that the evils and abuses which were made the excuse for a revolution have apparently in no way diminished; indeed have, in some respects, increased. If the Manchus were tyrannous, so are the Republicans; if the one was given to the ignoring of treaty obligations, so is the other; and the general feeling in Europe, America and our Colonies seems to be that "Pompey and Caesar are very much alike—especially Pompey."

We have remarked before that the punishments imposed by China on those who disobey the opium ordinance are less severe—or, at any rate, less terrible to those concerned—than they appear to Western minds, inasmuch as her people have, by force of habit, grown to regard torture or death-punishment as common every-day affairs. Therefore the penalty side of the question would be no business of ours, as Britishers, but for the fact that the Chinese have been learning, for a long time past, that life in our territory is made a great deal sweeter and easier for them than in their own. On Friday one of the Hongkong magistrates fined twenty-four men two dollars each for smoking opium. So far from cavilling at this decision, we consider that it amply fitted the offence; the men had broken the law of the Colony, but had committed no crime against person or property, and, by exacting a small fine, the Law got quits with them, and there was an end of it—so far as the ends of justice were concerned.

But not so far as the immigration question is concerned; for, so long as China chastises with scorpions while our own Government contents itself with whips, so long will a steady stream of persons who are not altogether desirable neighbours continue to pour itself into this Colony, into Singapore, and into the foreign concessions farther north. We repeat that we do not for a moment ask that the penalty for opium-smoking in British territory should be rendered more severe; but we certainly do feel that, before long, it will be England's duty to exert pressure on the bigots in Peking and Canton, who, by their extreme measures, will soon double and treble and quadruple the number of Chinese who daily seek refuge under the Union Jack. For the industrious and respectable Chinese tradesman or labourer there is always protection and a home within King George's dominions; but a law which shoots opium-smokers (of both sexes), beholds common thieves and flays pirates alive is going, in course of time, to fill up the adjacent British territories with all the scoundrels and rascals of China. Britain's duty in the matter is surely clear enough. It is not such a Herculean task to force China to come somewhere into line with civilized nations where dealing with crime is concerned; and it is easy enough to follow some rationally discriminative process over admitting Chinese aliens into British possessions. If these two things are not done, and done quickly, it is pretty clear that life will soon be intolerable for Europeans in Hongkong.

A Pledge Recalled.

Although we do not agree to the necessity, or even the expediency, of women being given the vote, we do not hesitate to say that those who desire it are being unfairly treated by the present Government. Though it is true that the Prime Minister and a number of his Cabinet colleagues are relentlessly opposed to woman's suffrage, the fact cannot be overlooked that in 1911 Mr. Asquith, in addressing a deputation, stated that although, speaking for himself, he did not hold that the term "man" must include "woman," yet any Bill introduced by the Government "would be in such a form that it would be open to the House of Commons, if it pleased, to make that extension to it." In this way have the Liberals posed as advocates of fair-play; they have again and again insisted that the matter would be left entirely to the House to decide, absolute freedom being permitted to members to vote as they pleased.

The Pledge Evaded.

But what is the situation now? The Cabinet is at sixes and sevens on the subject, and, because of it, there is every probability of the whole Bill being withdrawn. Thus is the definite pledge to be evaded and a seeming unity preserved. However much one may be opposed to votes for women, nobody can describe this as just treatment to those who have been led to believe that their demands would, at least, be given a fair hearing and be the subject of an unfettered vote. It may be very awkward for Mr. Asquith and his followers to witness fiery "skirmishes" between Ministers of State, but that is no excuse for going back on a solemn and definite promise to give every facility to amendments aiming at the enfranchisement of women. The fair ones have a just cause for complaint, and we expect to see them making the most of their grievance.

The Anti-Opium Crusade.

We mentioned on Saturday that indignation is felt among the opium merchants at the action of the Shanghai Medical Mission and of the Anti-Opium Society at Home in applauding the Chinese Government for breaking the Agreement of 1911. The fact that societies at Home have been interesting themselves in the prohibition of opium, matters very little, for the members of such societies, in nine cases out of ten, know as much about opium as they do about China; which is nothing at all; and few people give them much hearing. There is abundance of idle people at Home whose principal idea of making themselves busy is to speak and write and agitate about subjects concerning which they themselves are beautifully ignorant. When they have let off steam and exhausted their energy they lie low for a while, and then turn to some new craze.

The Shanghai Missionaries.

Such people do no good, but they do very little harm; whereas persons who are out here in the East and may be said—as in the case of the Shanghai Medical Mission—to carry some amount of sway, cause more trouble by a few ill-advised words than six months' intricate diplomatic work can set straight again. Sir John Jordan has, at the present moment, one of the most difficult tasks to perform that has fallen to the lot of a British Missioner for many a long day; and it is an abominable thing that his work shall be rendered harder by men of his own race who ought rather to be backing him up. It is busy-bodies such as these who, during the past century, have led politicians often to hate the very name of missionary. To us it seems that if this Medical Mission attends to what are ostensibly its duties, it will have no time to meddle in politics and to give vent to utterances which Peking wire-pullers know only too well how to twist and to use to their own advantage.

"Empress of Russia."

It is announced that the new O.P.R. liner the Empress of Russia, the largest and finest ship which will ply the Pacific, will make her first sailing from Hongkong for Vancouver on May 21st.

DAY BY DAY.

The naked truth is always more or less shocking.

Count de Beauregard. Count G. de Beauregard arrived in the Colony, after a visit to Swatow, by the s.s. Haiching.

Belilos Public School. Lady May has kindly consented to distribute the prizes at Queen's College on Monday, February 3, at 11.30 a.m.

Blind Beggar Fined. A blind beggar from Wanchai was fined \$5, or fourteen days by Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this morning.

Diocesan School and Orphanage. His Excellency, the Governor, has kindly consented to distribute the prizes to the boys of this school on Wednesday, at noon.

Japanese Cruisers Depart. The Japanese cruisers Iwato (Vice Admiral Ijichi aboard), Chikuma and Yahagi left Hongkong yesterday, and the Tsubama departs to-day.

Japanese Military Officers. A number of Japanese military officers, headed by Major-General K. Hoshino, are passing through by the s.s. Mikisima Maru, bound for Murakui.

Y. M. C. A. Tennis. A special meeting of the Y.M.C.A. tennis players is called for Wednesday next, at 5.15 p.m., when important proposals, in regard to the tennis club are to be considered.

Cruelty to Pigeons. A Chinese who carried two pigeons, by the wings, at West Point, was fined \$5 or in default fourteen days by Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this morning.

Outing to Tai-po. A outing is being arranged by the Y.M.C.A. for Chinese New Year, February 5. It is proposed to take train to Fanling and walk through a most attractive bit of country to Tai-po.

Coolie and Opium. A coolie was fined \$25, or a month in default, on each of two charges preferred against him in connection with opium, before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this morning.

Selling Opium Dress. Two Chinese were charged by European constable 127, with selling opium dress contrary to law at Wanchai, before Mr. F. A. Hazeland at the Police Court, this morning. They were each fined \$23, or in default, five weeks.

Bodies Found. Two dead bodies have been found by the police. One was a newly born Chinese female, found in the Harbour, and the other a child aged six years, found on some waste ground, at Yaumatei. Death in this case was apparently due to small-pox.

Legislative Council Vacancy. Only one nomination has been received for the temporary vacancy on the Legislative Council created by the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock going on leave. Mr. C. Montague Ede has been duly nominated, and there will be no meeting of the Justices on Friday.

The "Estonia" Sinks. Messrs Melchers and Co. inform us that they have received a telegram from the East Asiatic Co. Ltd., Copenhagen, dated the 24th inst. stating that the s.s. "Estonia," which recently caught fire in the Red Sea, sank the previous day eight miles off Suakin in six and a half fathoms of water.

Lottery Tickets. Before Mr. Q. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court, this morning, a Chinese charged with being in possession of lottery tickets with a view to sale, by Sergeant Cooper, was fined \$200, or in default six weeks.—A Chinese charged by P.S. 181 with being in possession of lottery tickets in Queen's Road East, was fined \$250 at the Police Court, this morning.

Bijou Theatre. There were big houses at the Bijou on Saturday and Sunday nights to welcome Miss Cecile Stephano, the New Zealand contralto whose services Mr. Stephenson has been fortunate enough to secure for his theatre. Miss Stephano has a very full rich voice, and her rendering of "The mighty deep" met with keen appreciation. After the interval Miss Stephano sang "My Ain Folk" and "Robin Adair," which gained terrific encores. The pictures included Eugene Sae's "My-stories of Paris"—a 5,000 ft. film which is considered Messrs. Pathé's greatest success. Miss Dollie Swift met with the usual applause for her songs.

VOLUNTEER CHURCH PARADE.

Bishop of Victoria on the Ideal of Empire.

The annual volunteer church parade was held yesterday at St. John's Cathedral when sixty men put in an appearance, in charge of Capt Skrimshire. The service, fully choral, was intoned by the Chaplain, the Rev. V. H. O. Moyle. Mr. A. Beyer read the lessons, and the Bishop of Victoria preached the sermon.

The Bishop chose as his text a lengthy extract from the Book of Revelation and spoke on the ideal of Empire. Speaking of St. John's vision he showed that the ideal there portrayed was one great Empire of the world in which no nation should be obliterated or individual characteristics obscured, but in which each should contribute to the honour and glory of God. Each nation would make its contribution and let the others make theirs. That was the great ideal. The English people, he remarked, were naturally unwilling to consider ideals. They considered themselves practical, taking the next step when the time came, and muddling through. But he pointed out that as the artist had his ideal in his mind before he painted his picture, so it was necessary for the people of this nation to have an ideal ever before them.

A Great Ideal. Dealing with the transition of government, from the family to the tribe, the nation and the Empire, the preacher remarked that they were coming to a state of things in which they could not be satisfied with the thought of empire, but with the ideal of the consolidation of the whole human race. That was an ideal; to unite the nations of the world: there would be no more war, and as individuals settled their disputes by law, all the nations of the world would similarly settle theirs. How could that ideal be fulfilled? By each nation fostering all that was glorious and honourable, and by elimination of all that was unclean and unrighteous.

He had been asked once what it would matter if the colonies were lopped off the British Empire, and the British Nation ceased to exist. He replied it would matter in every way; not only the subjects of the Empire, but the whole world would be the loser. To the Empire, God had given special opportunities, the freeing of slaves, enlightening the ignorant, protecting the weak, founding hospitals, universities and colleges.

Individual Responsibilities. Turning to individual responsibilities, the Bishop said every citizen had something to do, the promotion of all that was good and the aiding of a nation to fulfil its part in the ideal. All earnest-minded people had a great dread of war. Quoting a passage from a work by the headmaster of Repton, he went on to say that if any one said that war between two nations was inevitable he would reply: "War was never inevitable except where it was made so by human sin, and a European war, at the present time, would be an awful set back. At the same time each man who was helping a nation to the ideal must be ready and willing to defend his nation. He must recognise his responsibilities to the nation, and they could best defend it by maintaining a strong moral character. Where a country became luxurious self-indulgent, given to pleasure, unwilling to take responsibilities, where women shirked the responsibility of motherhood the nation was doomed. They should strive to set a high moral standard, and set themselves against all kinds of intemperance in eating, drinking, gambling, and all forms of self-indulgence. They should strive to put down foul literature, degrading pictures and all kinds of impurity. Finally he referred to the fact that the King sets the example of daily Bible-Reading which if followed by all His subjects would do much to realise the highest ideal for the Empire.

Green Island Cement Co. A meeting of shareholders in the Green Island Cement Company is to be held on February 12th to confirm the resolutions adopted at the meeting on Saturday.

SATURDAYS GALLOPS.

Occasional Racing Notes by "The Lark."

The beautiful morning brought a great number of enthusiasts to the course and the sprinkling of ladies added no little to the picturesque grandstand. As the sun rose behind Caroline Hill shining from an almost cloudless sky the moon at the back of the stand appeared shy of her lustrous splendour. Although the morning was cold, I was happy that it did not deter the spectators from displaying the keenness they evinced as the little noble animals galloped past the stand. The course was all that could be desired, but, considering the times made in the last "quarter," I am inclined to think that, although it was a fairly fast course, it lacked the usual morning dew to give it the "spring" which is so necessary to a pony's gallop.

From where I stood, I had the rare opportunity of watching the owners and their respective animals and it added no little pleasure to me to see the attitude of the owners towards each other as they discussed the merits of their candidates' performances. The "clockers" were busy and the attention they paid to the trotters as they passed each post is not only interesting but amusing, the difficulty being to "chime" so many at a time.

It was "christening" morning for all the ponies and in my next "notes" I shall discuss (with apologies) the owners' names.

The best performance of the morning was undoubtedly that of Fijian Chief whose ease and style of going was something to be admired as compared with his rivals for the blue ribbon of the meeting. Of course, there are still four weeks before the great event, but if the keen and popular owner will only be very careful this year and not allow his cherished ambitions in the training course to override his sense of duty to the animal's credit for the race, I have "ma doots" as the Scotchman says, whether there is enough "beef" in the other candidates to approach him in the finish of this grand race. I am especially pleased to see the chairman of the daily midday meetings of the brokers' association having such a good contestant for this classic event and considering his remarkable sporting spirit, it is the wish of a good many that he will this year have the happy experience of leading his "son" to the scales after the Derby. Next in my humble estimation, comes Sir Paul Chater's bay griffin: it cannot be gainsaid that his 1½ mile this morning was as good as can be expected, and within ten days, he will be the talk of the field. The flea-bitten grey went well, but until he removes his prominent "biscuit basket" I can give no definite opinion as to his "last quarter." Mr. Seth's pony is showing up, but as he is a Shanghai Spring Griffin and has, I hear, "hunted" up north, more work should be given him. Mr. Moller's candidate did well, and his owner will very likely take good care to steer him to at least a place in the Derby. The opium merchant's chestnut look like a gentleman walking round the sand track and taking a slow trot in the finish. I am afraid he is too "refined" to stand hard work. The Rice Merchant's bay showed himself to be a fier for short distance, but until he goes for his 1½ I will not not dare say anything as to his prospects for the classic event. As I said before, Mr. David is possessed of three beauties—the cream centered in the sand track and did useful work. His Excellency's ponies were out and I am of opinion that the dun will probably add another point to the Governor's credit balance at the races.

As I have very little to say just now about the subscription griffins, I would rather leave them alone, but mention must again be made of the following, which went their respective distances in fairly good time:—Messrs. Stewart's, Maitland's, Hastings', Sir Paul's, Jardine's and Sonnet's. There is another sub in the field which I rather fancy, but unfortunately I am not in a position to name the owner, and will mention his prowess in my next.

Of the old ponies, the following are worthy of mention:—Sandringham, Lice Bird, Dunbar Chief and Capello. Dunelmia has improved since I last saw him at the last Gymkana, but until his food receptacle is considerably reduced, the owner should not expect to see his old Shanghai form again. Head or Tail, the spotted white, finished strong, and ought to show up within a fortnight. I was rather sorry I missed Barford; this is a game little pony measuring 12.3 and as the owner is a rider himself, he should be watched very carefully for short races up to a mile. I noticed quite a lot of people standing near the rails. Cannot the stewards of the Club direct that long benches, if not chairs, be placed all along the rails (on galloping mornings) between the Judge's box and mafuo's stand?

CORRESPONDENCE.

[The opinions expressed by our correspondents are not necessarily those of the "Hongkong Telegraph."]

WHICH WAS RIGHT?

To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir,—It would, I think, be advisable for Reuter to dot his i's and cross his t's when wiring to Hongkong. A strange discrepancy appears in the evening papers of Saturday which are presumably supplied with identical the same telegram. Under the heading "Loans to China" the China Mail mentions the name "Sir Thomas Jackson" (Poor old Sir Thomas!) and the Telegraph gives the name as "Mr. Jackson." Now I would like to know which is correct? "A rose by any other name would smell as sweet," says the bard, but the remark scarcely holds good when applied to financiers—there is often a very different odour.—Yours, etc.

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Hongkong, Jan. 26, 1913.
[The gentleman referred to is Mr. A. Wendall Jackson, director, China Conservation and Development Company Ltd.—Editor.]

HONGKONG RIFLE LEAGUE.

Taikoo met the H.K. Volunteers in the above league on Saturday. The match was shot off on the Taikoo Range and resulted in a win for the Taikoo club by 73 points.

The following is a list of the scores registered.

Taikoo.				
Simpson	32	35	30	97
Binnerman	27	33	29	89
Booth	29	32	28	89
Danby	25	30	30	85
Elbridge	26	28	28	82
Grimshaw	29	28	25	82
Summers	27	30	25	82
Bassford	28	20	23	80
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H.K. Volunteers.				
Mann	28	27	28	83
Sorby	26	30	24	80
Stewart	23	25	28	76
Bradbury	25	27	23	75
Anderson	24	26	26	75
Rees	28	28	18	74
Bullock	14	20	30	73
Wood	20	16	20	56

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HUGHES COMEDY COMPANY.

There was a fairly good house at the Victoria Theatre last night when the Hughes Comedy Company presented "Spedelbender's Dream."

As usual with this clever company, some fine scenic and chorus effects were achieved, one of the best being "Going to the Opera." Mr. Vack and Mr. Le Blanc kept the audience in a good, steady laugh throughout and Miss Eugenie Le Blanc; Miss St. Clair and Miss Martin were as entertaining as ever.

To-night the same play is repeated, and to-morrow a special feature of the programme will be a Chorus Girls' Contest.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

Hongkong Land Reclamation Co. Ltd.

The eleventh ordinary annual general meeting of the shareholders in the Hongkong Land Reclamation Co. Ltd. was held this morning at the offices of the Company, when the Hon. Mr. C. H. Ross presided. There were also present: Sir C. Paul Chater, Mr. G. S. Gubbay, Mr. E. Shellim, Mr. H. P. Smith, Mr. J. Hennessey, Mr. A. E. Asgar, Mr. Ho Fook, Mr. Kom Tong, Mr. S. Northcote, Mr. Cheong Shiu and Mr. E. Bruce Shepherd, secretary.

The secretary having read the notice convening the meeting, the chairman said:

Gentlemen,—Our report and balance sheet, together with the auditor's report having been in your possession for some days, may I think be taken as read.

From the accounts now before you, it is satisfactory to note that the negotiations for the sale of a part of your property, which I reported at our last meeting as pending, were successfully carried through in June, resulting in the sale to the Government of 252,254 square feet of land with marine frontage at Kowloon Point, showing a profit of \$631,844.08.

Our house property in Yau-nai has been leased at a monthly rental of \$300 and was put in thorough order when the lease was made.

Interest account which for some years has been a debit now shows a credit of \$20,184.88 for the last six months working.

While the year's working shows the satisfactory profit of \$667,892.40 your directors have decided to only pay the usual dividend of 7 per cent on the paid up capital, and carry forward the remainder so as to purchase properties if such be offering, in view of which we have \$580,000 cash on loan at call earning 6 per cent interest.

We still own 420,633 square feet with Marine Frontage of 600 feet in Canton Road Yau-nai, which is of great value, and I hope that at our next meeting I may be able to announce a satisfactory sale thereof.

Before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, if shareholders have any questions to ask, I will endeavour to answer them to the best of my ability.

There being no questions, the chairman proposed the adoption of the report and accounts, and Mr. H. Percy Smith seconding, the same was carried.

On the motion of Mr. J. H. Seth, seconded by Mr. Kom Tong, Messrs. C. S. Gubbay and Ho Tung were re-elected to the directorate.

Messrs. W. Hutton Potts and A. O. D. Gurdin were re-elected auditors on the motion of the chairman seconded by Mr. A. E. Asgar.

The chairman:—That is all the business, gentlemen; dividend warrants will be ready to-morrow.

West Point Building Company.

The ordinary annual general meeting of the shareholders in the West Point Building Co. Ltd., was held this morning at the offices of the Company when Sir C. P. Chater C.M.G. presided. There were also present: The Hon. Mr. C. H. Ross, Messrs. C. S. Gubbay, J. W. C. Bonnar, directors, Mr. S. Northcote, secretary, Messrs. F. Maitland, F. Smythe, R. Deacon, J. M. E. Machado, E. Bruce Shepherd and R. A. Carvalho.

The secretary having read the notice convening the meeting, the chairman said:

Gentlemen.—The report and statement of accounts for the year 1912 together with the auditors report thereon having been in your hands for the past week may, I think, be taken as read.

The gross receipts for the year under review amount to \$62,348.21 against \$61,915.01 for the previous year, the company having had the full year's rental at the increased rate instead of only nine months as in the 1911 accounts; as also the benefit of a considerable decrease in the amount expended on repairs to property which stands at \$901.50 as compared with \$4,212.33 the amount expended in 1911, which heavy expenditure was as I told you at our last annual meeting incurred in putting the property into thorough repair on the taking

over by our present lessee, and we are therefore enabled to give you an extra 25 cents per share by way of dividend, making a total dividend for the year of \$4.25 per share, the highest in the records of the company and which I have no doubt will meet with your approval.

I do not think there is anything further in the accounts now before you which calls for remark, but before proposing their adoption I shall be pleased to answer any questions you may wish to put.

There being no questions, the Chairman proposed the adoption of the report and accounts, which was carried, on being seconded by Mr. Machado.

The Hon. Mr. C. H. Ross and Mr. Gubbay were re-elected directors, on the motion of Mr. Deacon, seconded by Mr. Maitland.

Mr. A. C. Hytes was re-appointed auditor on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. F. Smythe.

The Chairman:—That is all business; thank you for your attendance; dividend warrants will be ready to-morrow.

H.K. Land Investment and Agency Co. Ltd.

The twenty-fifth ordinary general meeting of the shareholders in the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co. Ltd., was held to-day at noon at the offices of the Company, the Hon. Mr. C. H. Ross presiding. There were also present:—Sir Paul Chater, Messrs. H. Seib, E. Shellim, H. P. White, C. S. Gubbay, G. Friesland, directors, Messrs. H. Percy Smith, J. M. E. Machado, W. F. Clarke, H. J. Gedge, F. B. Deacon, A. C. Hytes, and the secretary, Mr. M. S. Northcote.

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said:—Gentlemen.—The reports and accounts, to which is attached the auditors' report, having been in your possession for some time I will, with your approval, take them as read.

From the account now before you it is satisfactory to note, that while commission account shows a decrease of some \$1,500 and the revenue derived from sales is only \$1690 as against \$57,141.87 for the previous year, your principal source of revenue, Rent A/c, shows an increase of some \$15,500 over 1911 and nearly \$40,000 over the year 1910. I am sure your will deem this most satisfactory. During the year the only sales of property that have taken place have been the brick portions of two lots on the Prava East and the amount so derived has been credited to the balance of the property still remaining in our possession—the amount shown under this heading is \$1690, being a profit made on sales of shares held by the Company.

Turning to the other side of our profit and loss a/c—charges n/c shows an increase of some \$5,500 which is principally due to the increase in salaries incurred by the leave of absence granted to your secretary, Mr. Hooper, who left on a holiday, after 10 years' continuous service, in February last; during his absence his duties have been performed by Mr. Northcote. Repairs to properties I am pleased to say show a decrease of \$8,000. This is mainly due to the fact that we have been fortunate during the year under review in escaping any severe typhoons, otherwise your properties have been kept in good repair. The figures of interest n/c remain practically the same as in the last statement.

As many of you are aware in connection with the disappearance of the company's Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank at the end of September last we discovered a shortage of cash in our own company's account of \$21,000 but I am pleased to be able to tell you that this money has been in part already refunded and security deposited with the company for the balance so that we have nothing to write off in this respect and the company remains in our employ under a new and well secured Agreement.

Before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts if shareholders have any question to put to me I will endeavour to answer them to the best of my ability.

There being no questions, the Chairman proposed the adoption of the report and accounts. Mr. Gedge, in seconding said:—I think we ought to congratulate

ourselves and the board of directors on the excellent results of the year's working. It is pleasing to note that although we carry forward some \$18,800 as against \$41,758 at the end of 1911, after deducting all ordinary working expenses, we have derived more than our annual dividend from what I may describe as a legitimate source of revenue to the company, without assistance from sales of the property. It must borne in mind that it was to the large amount received from the last source in 1911 that we were able to carry forward so large an amount. I also notice with pleasure that about 5 per cent of the net rent roll is spent in repairs, from which it would appear that the property of the company is kept in good repair. It seems to me that the company is in a very sound position and we seem secured to a steady dividend of seven per cent, at least. Gentlemen, the shares of this company are looked upon as the Consols of the Far East and I hope they will continue to be so. I have much pleasure in seconding the report.

On the motion of Mr. Machado, seconded by Mr. Clarke, Messrs. E. Shellim and G. Friesland were re-elected as directors.

Messrs. H. Percy Smith and A. C. Hytes were re-appointed auditors, on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. F. B. Deacon.

The Chairman:—That is all the business, gentlemen; dividend warrants will be ready to-morrow morning.

BOY'S \$1300 HAUL.

Kowloon Man Robbed of Jewellery and Money.

We have been informed that a Parsee gentleman residing at 4, Rose Terrace, Nathan Road, Kowloon, has been robbed of jewellery and money to the extent of \$1,314.

On Saturday morning a number of the residents at the house went out for the day and left a boy aged sixteen in charge of the premises. About two o'clock in the afternoon a lady came back and found that the boy was missing. She also noticed by the disorder that the boy had evidently had in some friends and had entertained them to a good "feed".

About nine o'clock at night the gentleman who owns the missing property came back, and half an hour later, found that his safe, which was built in the wardrobe, was missing, as well as its contents, to the value of \$1,314. At ten o'clock the same evening he went to the Water Police Station and reported the matter to Inspector Kerr, who took the matter up at once.

The boy, it is believed, got his friends to assist him in carrying off the safe, and seeing that he had eight hours' start of the police, it will be difficult for them to locate him. He had ample opportunity to catch an afternoon train or an evening boat to the country.

POLICE COURT CHANGES.

The Magistrates, Messrs. F. A. Hazeland and C. D. Melbourne, sat in the old Law Courts, this morning, for the first time. The change from the Police Courts adjacent to the goal has been brought about in consequence of the proposal that the old building up the hill be pulled down, and more adequate premises built.

The old premises were most unsuitable for police courts with so many prisoners passing before the Magistrates. There was but poor accommodation for those waiting trial, and it is remarkable that the escapes of prisoners, dealt with and waiting to be dealt with have not been more numerous.

The First Case.

A Chinese was charged with being in possession of opium—two counts; he was fined \$38 in all.

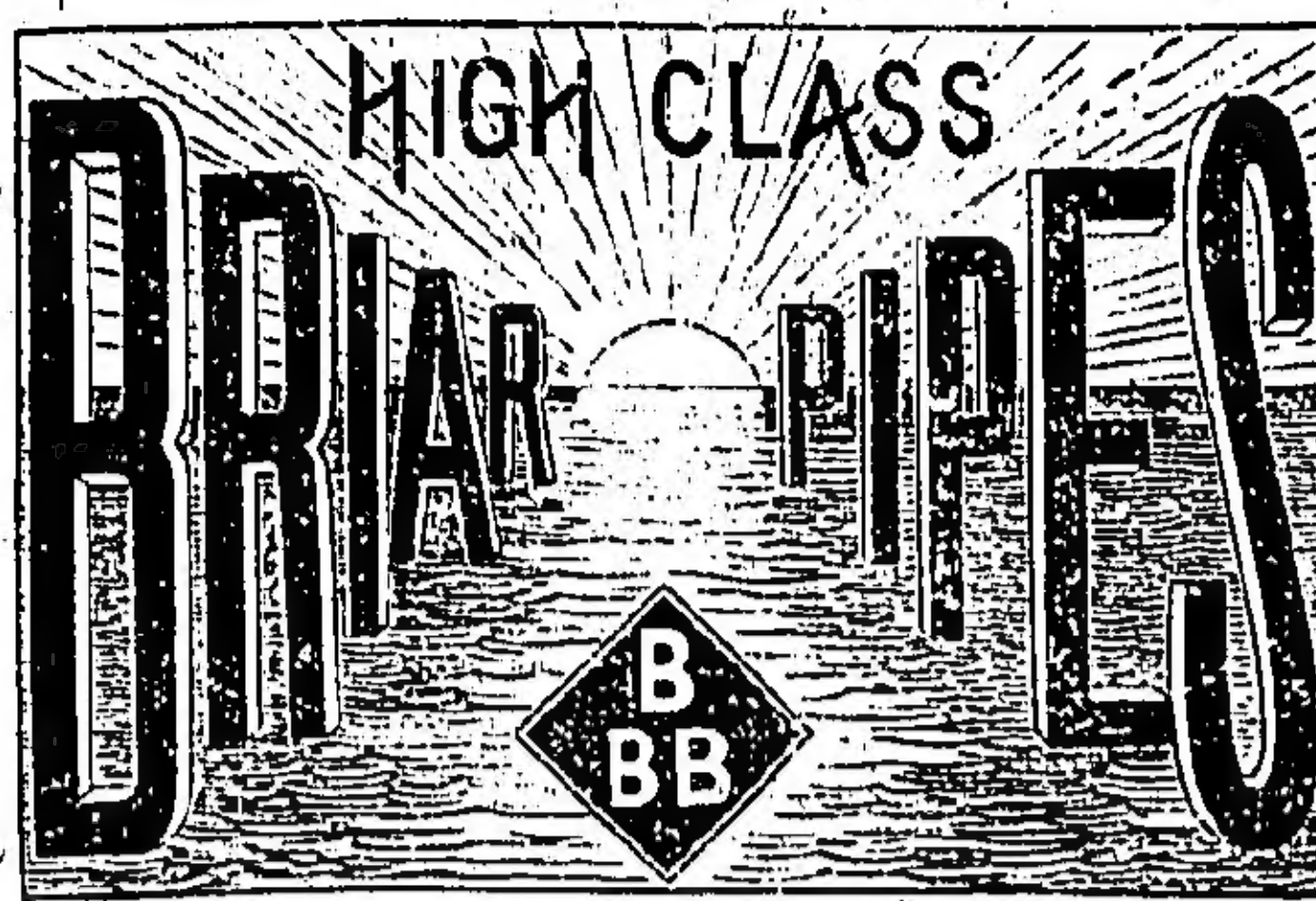
Returning to England.

According to the "China Critic," Sir Francis and Lady Piggott are returning to England, almost immediately, via Siberia.

Horticultural Show.

The flower and vegetable show organised by the Hongkong Horticultural Society, is to be held on March 7th and 8th.

Entries close on February 28th.



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Lecture on Wireless. A lecture on "Wireless Telegraphy and Telephony" is to be given by Professor C. H. Robertson in the Y.M.C.A. Rooms, on Thursday. The Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewitt C.M.G. is to take the chair.

The Bank Note Case. The eight Japanese charged in connection with the alleged forgeries on the Kwantung Military Government, again appeared before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court, this afternoon, when further evidence was taken.

Today's Advertisements.

THE CHINESE RECREATION CLUB.

NOTICE.

MEMBERS are hereby notified that a Tennis Tournament comprising the following events will commence on or about the 2nd February 1913 at the above Club as an event of the annual Club.

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Hongkong, 25th Jan., 1913. [187]

BARBER LINE OF STEAMERS.

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FROM NEW YORK.

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No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Agents. Hongkong, 27th Jan., 1913. [189]

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MANILA ... YUENSANG ... Saturday, 1st Feb., 2 p.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG ... FOKSANG ... Thursday, 6th Feb., at Noon.
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SHANGHAI, KORE & YOKOHAMA ... DEN OF CROMBIE ... 10th Feb.
LONDON & ANTWERP ... CARMARTHENSHIRE ... 1st March.
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TUESDAY, 28th JANUARY.

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SUNDAY, 28th FEBRUARY.

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SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	TOTOMI MARU Capt. A. Mocker T. 5,000	WEDNESDAY, 29th January.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	HITACHI MARU Capt. Y. Yamashita T. 12,500	THURSDAY, 30th Jan., at 11 a.m.
EUROPE &c.	MISHIMA MARU Capt. A. E. Moses T. 16,000 KAGA MARU Capt. G. Tabata T. 12,500	WEDNESDAY, 29th Jan., at daylight. WEDNESDAY, 12th Feb., at daylight.
BOMBAY via Singapore and Colombo	KAWACHI MARU Capt. A. Christensen T. 12,500	MONDAY, 3rd February.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KIRIN MARU Capt. Deguchi T. 5,000	MONDAY, 3rd February.
YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU Capt. M. Winkler T. 9,370	WEDNESDAY, 12th Feb., at Noon.
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Mishima Maru	16,000	29th January.
Kaga Maru	12,500	12th February.
Hitachi Maru	18,000	26th February.
Jiyasaki Maru	18,000	12th March.
Kitano Maru	16,000	26th March.
Iyo Maru	12,500	9th April.
Hirano Maru	16,000	23rd April.
Tango Maru	18,500	7th May.
Inaba Maru	12,500	21st May.
Shidzuoka Maru	12,500	11th February.
Tamba Maru	12,500	25th February.
Awa Maru	12,500	11th March.
Sado Maru	12,500	25th March.
Yokohama Maru	12,500	4th April.
Inaba Maru	12,500	22nd April.
Shidzuoka Maru	12,500	6th May.
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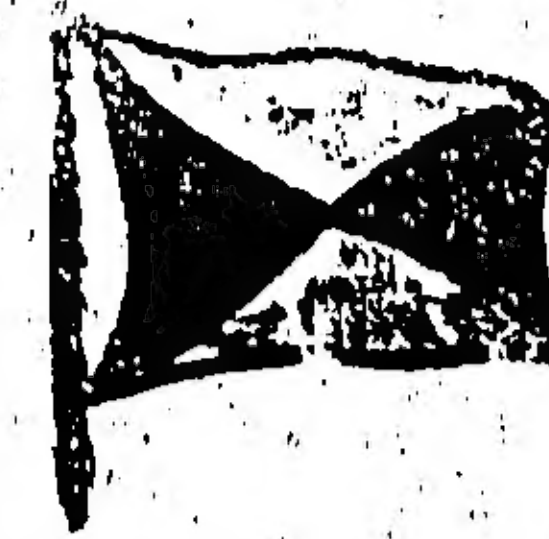
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Steamer Tons Captain Date of sailing

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S.S. "Chiyo Maru" ... 22,000 ... W. W. Greene ... Mar. 11th, Noon.
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Messrs. Smith, Be'l and Company, Manila agents for the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, are in receipt of cable advices from their Hongkong principals advising them that the new C. P. R. steamship Empress of Russia, which was recently launched in England, will sail from Hongkong for Vancouver on her first trip May 21. They were also advised that the steamship Empress of India would sail from Hongkong June 7 and that the intermediate boat Monteagle which has been scheduled to sail May 17 has been cancelled. The Empress of Russia has just been built and is said to be the largest and finest appointed vessel on the Pacific. Her sister ship, the Empress of Asia, which was launched a short time ago, will go on the run shortly thus increasing the C. P. R. service by two fine passenger vessels, making five in all and enabling the company to greatly increase the number of sailings.

Soundings by the Aurora.

The Aurora recently returned to Hobart from a cruise of 33 days. Captain Davis reported the finding of a ridge 200 miles long south of Tasmania. He found 500 fathoms of water on the ridge, while on each side the depth of water was 2,400 fathoms. This, he believes, is the connecting link between Australia and the Antarctic. The presence of this ridge had been suggested by Professor David. It was the intention of Professor Flynn and his assistant, Mr. Denny, to carry out dredging work between Hobart and Macquarie and Auckland Islands, but the tempestuous weather prevented this. A dredge was lowered, five times and only three hauls were made. A number of new marine vegetables and animal specimens were found and brought to Hobart. Soundings were carried out pretty extensively by Captain Davis, and in the vicinity of Macquarie to the eastward, where shallow water was expected, 2,700 fathoms was sounded and no bottom touched, owing to the wire carrying away. Captain Davis has made a number of soundings in places where no depths are shown on the charts, and it is expected that these will prove of great value to oceanographers.

Linking up the Seven Seas.

Some of the evidence that has been given by Post Office officials before the Select Committee inquiring into the Government contract with the Marconi Company, is to say the least of it, somewhat unsettling, remarks the "Globe." It was, and certainly remains, the duty of a country with such vast overseas dominions, and such overwhelming maritime interests as our own: to make every effort to be the first to link up the globe with a chain of wireless stations. No nation more urgently requires a ready means to speak to its overseas sons; and to its sailors on any part of the seven seas, at any moment of the day and night, than Great Britain. Yet other nations are pushing ahead so vigorously that it may easily happen that they will get in ahead of us, and secure the customers which alone can make such an organisation partially or wholly self-supporting. It will be a heavy handicap if the British Admiralty ever have to control the movements of naval ships through the instrumentality of a foreign Power, after such a rare opportunity to get in first and have an "all-red" wireless connection to all parts of the world. With all our naval ships of huge or moderate tonnage fitted with a powerful wireless installation, their movements could in most cases be controlled from day to day from Whitehall, except when they were in the most remote quarters of the earth. There may be some difference of opinion as to the advisability of such close Admiralty control of admirals and ships in time of war, but in times of peace and concentration for war there can be no question as to its value.

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignee before noon to-day requesting it to be landed here.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 31st of Jan., 1913, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 31st of Jan., at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 7th of Feb., 1913, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELBOURNE & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 24th Jan., 1913. [180]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"JAPAN,"

having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at once, at consignee's risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after 1 p.m. of the 26th inst., will be landed at consignee's risk and expense.

Consignees of cargo from Singapore and Penang are requested to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside, such cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

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Hongkong, 25th Jan., 1913. [188]

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LOCAL SPORT.

SATURDAY'S CRICKET.

Hongkong B's First Defeat.
On Saturday the Hongkong "A" team met the "B" team on the Club ground in a league game, the former winning by the narrow margin of 16 runs. For the winners J. S. Lloyd did well with 45 to his credit, T. E. Pearce coming a good second with 33. For the losers R. Hancock and Claxton did well with 31 each. The scores were:—

Hongkong "A."				
A. H. Crawe, o & b Dodwell	14			
A. H. Gillingham, o Maas, b Dodwell	4			
W. E. Warburton, b Dodwell	6			
J. S. Lloyd, b Dodwell	45			
T. E. Pearce o Dodwell, b Maas	33			
A. O. E. Elborough, o R. Hancock, b Dodwell	2			
W. C. D. Turner not out	22			
Capt. Tracy D. C. L. I. stpd	0			
Hancock, b Maas	0			
R. M. Anderson, c Moore, b Maas	10			
Lt. Batson, D. O. L. I. b Dodwell	1			
D. E. Donnelly, c Claxton, b Maas	5			
Extras	2			
Total	144			

Bowling.				
S. H. Dodwell	17	1	81	6
Claxton	6	0	32	0
Maas	4	0	15	4

Hongkong "B."

S. S. Moore o Pearce b Warburton	6			
Stephenson-Jellie c Batson b Warburton	14			
M. M. Maas b Batson	24			
H. Hancock c Lloyd b Warburton	8			
R. Hancock b Batson	31			
A. A. Claxton l.b.w. b Batson	31			
S. H. Dodwell l.b.w. b Batson	5			
Lt. Heygate b Batson	0			
R. P. Thurnfield b Batson	2			
Walker b Warburton	0			
A. O. Lang not out	5			
Extras	2			
Total	128			

Bowling.

O. M. R. W.

W. E. Warburton 12 4 26 4

D. E. Donnelly 3 0 3 0

Lt. Batson 12 1 74 8

R. M. Anderson 3 0 13 0

Kowloon and Civil Service Draw.

Kowloon had hard luck in not defeating Civil Service in a League match at Happy Valley on Saturday. Scores:—

Eng. Lt. Smith o Brown b

Read

Dixon W. E. o Bird b

Read

Sutton F. b Read

Robinson J. O. o Phillips b

Hamilton

Rouse H. S. b Bird

Mead J. H. M. not out

Macaskill K. R. not out

Capt Wood

Townsend L. F. did not bat.

de Rome F. J.

Weaser W. L.

Extra 4

Total for 5 wickets 156

Bowling.

O. M. R. W.

Bird 14 1 58 1

Reed 13 1 44 3

Hamilton 6 0 31 1

Foole 4 0 19 0

Civil Service.

Poole W. l.b.w. Weaser

Sayer G. R. o and b Weaser

Biden F. A. b Weaser

Brawn A. O. b Weaser

Read E. B. b Macaskill

Sutherland A. R. o Wood

b Macaskill

Bird R. E. O. not out

Hamilton E. W. b Macaskill

Jacka P. o Wood, C. de Rome

MacKay J. not out

Phillips P. did not bat

Extra 13

Total for 8 wickets 64

Bowling.

Macaskill 12 5 32 3

Weaser 11 5 20 4

de Rome 3 1 1 1

Dixon 2 1 2 0

Kowloon "B" Win.

Kowloon "B" entertained St. F. and Departmentals and won comfortably. Scores:—

Stiff and Departmentals.

Q. M. S. Davis, c Evans b Wolf

Cpl. Saunders, c W. Keeper b

Evans

Sgt. Kirby, c Douglas b Wolf

Cpl. Lambkin b Curwen

S. M. Tucker, b Wolf

S. M. Archer, b Wolf

Ed. Archer, b Curwen

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RAUB AUSTRALIAN GOLD MINING.

Manager's Report for Four Weeks Ending December 28.

The report of the manager of the Raub A. G. M. Co., Ltd., for the four weeks ending December 28, reads:—

The accompany sheet of mine measurements and assay results shows a total of 217 ft., made up as follows:—Sinking 26 ft., driving 112 ft., and cross-cutting 79 ft., and compares with a total of 272 ft. for the previous four weeks.

Mines.

Bukit Koman.—The Main Shaft

has been sunk 18 ft., making a total of 95 ft. below the 740 ft. level.

740 ft. Level.—The Main Drive

North is being continued in low

grade ore, 15 ft. having been

driven, making a total of 55 ft.,

on a lode 50 ins. wide, assaying

3.12 dwts.

The Main Drive South has been

extended 16 ft., making a total of

83 ft., the lode being 48 ins. wide,

producing 3.73 dwts.

The Drive South at 108 ft. from

the shaft is on a lode 60 ins. wide,

making a total of 43 ft.

640 ft. Level.—The Drive

North on the 108 ft. lode has

been advanced 15 ft., making a

total of 254 ft. on a lode 24 ins.

wide, worth 7.7 dwts. per ton.

The Drive South on the 108

ft. lode is being carried in a hard

mixed lode, assaying 6.8 dwts for

a width of 60 ins. The end is

now 239 ft. South of the Cross-

cut, 5 ft. having been driven dur-

ing the month.

No. 1 Winze South.—7 ft

sunk during the month makes a

total of 34 ft. Lode assays for

36 ins. Wide 3.1-4 dwts. Water

difficulties have interfered with

the sinking of the winze.

340 ft. Level South.—A Cross-

cut is being put out East in the

hope of intersecting two quartz

branches lying on this side of the

main lode.

Crosscuts for Slope-Filling

amount to 41 ft.

Stopes.—Above the 640 ft.

level 4 stopes are being worked.

The lode averages 78 ins. wide

is worth 4.85 dwts. Above this

540 ft. level one stope is being

worked, the lode averages 34 ins.

wide and is worth 3.8 dwts.

Above the 440 ft. level 2 stopes

are being worked. The lode

averages 77 ins. wide and worth

3.85 dwts.

Anderson.

The Double Skip Road and

Ladder Road have been fixed to

the 360 ft. level. During the

next few days we hope to fix

longer ropes on the hoisting en-

gine and work the cages to the

360.

360 ft. Level.—The Crosscut

West of the Main Shaft has been

carried a further 6 ft., making

altogether 78 ft. As nothing of

value has been struck since leav-

ing the lode at 31 ft. the Crosscut

has been suspended.

The Main Drive North has been

advanced 16 ft., making a total of

28 ft. The lode being 16 ins.

wide, producing 2 dwts.

The Main Drive South.—Here

14 ft. driven makes a total of 28

ft. in a lode 24 ins. wide, assay-

ing 4.7 dwts.

The lode in both these drives

is very narrow, but in the North

end there are distinct signs of an

early improvement both in width

LOCAL SPORT.

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Sgt. Williams, not out. 4
 Pte. Watson, c Mackenzie b Curwen 6
 Sgt. Coy, c Evans b Wolf 0
 Q.M.S. Howell, b Wolf 0
 Extras 2

Total ... 74

Bowling.

O.M. R. W.
 Evan 4 0 22 1
 Overy 3 0 12 0
 Curwen 7 0 24 3
 Wolf 0 2 1 15 6

Kowloon.

H. Overy, b Kirby ... 1
 J. P. Douglas, b Davis ... 4
 W. Curwen run out ... 8
 B. D. Evans, b Saunders ... 79
 Major Hunter, c and b Davis ... 7
 A. R. F. Raven, l.b.w. Water-son ... 46

G. Wolf b Saunders ... 4
 G. W. Jeffries ... 0
 N. L. Raitton, b Kirby ... 3
 N. Croucher, b Lambkin ... 7
 D. J. Mackenzie, not out ... 6
 Extras ... 12

Total ... 177

Bowling.

O.M. R. W.
 Davis ... 15 2 76 2
 Kirby ... 11 3 44 2
 Watson ... 3 0 10 1
 Coy ... 3 0 12 0
 Lambkin ... 1 0 7 1

FOOTBALL.

Hongkong's Shield Competition.

In the first round of the Shield competition, on Saturday, Hongkong were at home to the Staff and Departmental whom they trounced by 4 goals to none. They thus meet the R.C.A. in the second round.

The Club forwards were always too clever for the opposing defence and, right from the start, gave them a sore galloping. Wilson drove home a pretty centre from Benton with an unsaveable shot. Pennell secured a second from Larkins' cross, and the Club were unlucky not to get more than that. The front line had many fine efforts, but they were fouled in the penalty area, and, taking the free kick himself, registered the third point.

For a short time, in the second half the military eleven did better, but they could never get in a really good shot. Barlow had an easy time. Eventually the game settled down in the former run, the club forwards getting a firm grip of the play. They did not seem terribly anxious for goals. Wilkie scored a fourth from Campbell's pass, and there the scoring ended. The Club won very handsomely by 4-0.

Last Interpractic Match. The last Interpractic match will take place on Wednesday, 20th instant on the Hongkong Football Club's ground at 4.30 p.m., against the D.C.L.I.'s regimental football team.

The following will represent the Interpractic team:—(Goal) Swan, (H.K.F.C.), (Backs) Hamilton (H.K.F.C.) and Colmer (R.G.A.), half backs, Wilkie, Barlow (Capt.), and Brown, (H.K.F.C.), forwards, Lewis (R.E.), Pennell, (H.K.F.C.), Pearson, (R.E.), Green (R.G.A.), and Dollman, (R.G.A.). Referee, Sgt. A. Wilson.

AMERICAN RUGBY. Another interesting and very close game was played on Saturday at Happy Valley between the U.S.S. Wilmington and a team from the

U.S.S. Piscataqua. It resulted in a win for the "Willies" by the close margin of one point, the final score being 7 to 6 in their favour.

The game was snappily played all the way through, both teams working fast and cleverly. Forward passes were much in evidence, and the ends on both sides got handily down the field and kept their feet.

Swishbrath, F. B. for the "Willies," hurt his knee in the second half, and he was replaced by I. T. Brumbough, who immediately began his end runs and revolving cross-cross plays, all of which were carried out in a masterly way.

It is understood that another game will be played in two weeks' time.

The line-up was as follows:—

Piscataqua. Wilmingtons.
 Knight L.E. Marsh
 Lord L.T. Oliphant
 Bald L.G. Ingle
 Anderson C. Hatfield
 Metcalf R.G. Throne
 Graham R.T. Squires
 Groesman R.E. Caples
 Hyes Q. Landfield
 Clerm R.H. Sharp
 Buck L.H. Heiralich
 Snyder Full Back Swishbrath-Brumbough.

HOCKEY.

Y.M.C.A. and Hongkong Club again meet on Thursday at 5 p.m., when the following team will represent the Association:—

Goal, L. La Breton. Backs, C.C. Hickling, A. P. Storrle, Halves, W. Smart, R. E. Barlow, A. P. Jones. Forwards, J. R. Maugham, A. Vivesash, C. Sara, H. Edmonds, A. F. Mills.

Y.M.C.A. Billiards. Results in the Team Games at present in progress are as follows:—

Team	Games	Points
Mr. R. E. Barlow's Team	5	996
Mr. L. La Breton's Team	5	807
Mr. A. E. S. Fowler's Team	6	988

YACHTING.

Inter Club Race.

An inter-club race between the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club and the Corinthian Yacht Club took place on Saturday, and the following times were returned:—

Yacht	Finishing time	Corrected time	Position
Dione	4:13.20	4:13.20	3
Rolla	4:14.30	4:12.10 1/2	2
Lilly	4:21.0 8/5	4:17.8 1/10	8
Colleen	4:18	4:11.48	1
Kathleen	4:22.45 2/5	4:16.93 3/5	7
Dorothea	4:28.48	4:23.36	10
Molet	4:28.54	4:21.00	16
Ayesha	4:29.2 2/7	4:10.44 2/5	15
Cor Innes	4:40.46	4:35.47	28
Halcyon	4:46.24 2/5	4:17.48 2/5	11
Bojita	4:54.14 1/5	4:16.38 4/5	6
Alannah	4:57.20	4:18.44	18
Daphne	4:46.38	4:27.57	22
Dawn	4:48.55	4:17.18	10
Owl	4:42.29	4:20.47	17
White Rose	4:40.23	4:18	14 1/2
Sirius	4:38.9 4/5	4:16.27 4/5	6
Gael	4:38.51 3/5	4:17.07 3/5	9
Lytle	4:40.30	4:28.15	21
Thecla	4:38.21	4:15.08	4
Asthore	4:48.51	4:20.36	16
Joan	4:48.18	4:24.63	20
Beatrice	4:44.52	4:19.17 1/2	14

Other yachts competed, but did not finish.

Overseer murdered on Glenealy Estate. A mandore has been murdered by a Javanese coolie on Glenealy estate.

POST OFFICE.

MAILS ARRIVED TO-DAY.

Japan, s.s. Dumbear.
 Sainon, s.s. Tangus.
 Halphong, s.s. Sikiang.
 Japan, s.s. Mishima-maru.

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 Jan. 2
 Jan. 3

MAILS DUE.

Siberian, Anhui, 29th inst.
 English, Himalaya, 30th inst.

The Anhui with the remaining portion of London Mail (via Siberian) of Saturday the 4th inst. and the Mail of Friday the 10th instant, is expected here on Wednesday the 29th inst.

The Himalaya, with the English Mail left Singapore on Saturday 25th inst. at 10 a.m. and is expected to arrive here on Thursday the 30th instant at 10 a.m. This packet brings the parcel mail closed by London for despatch by the all-sea route on the 24th December and for despatch overland 31st Dec.

MAILS CLOSE.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haiching 28th Jan., 9 a.m.

Siam—Per Uiv, 28th Jan., 9 a.m.

Philippine Islands—Per Taltibius, 28th Jan., 9 a.m.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via Moji, Victoria, B.C., Seattle—Per Yokohama-maru, 28th Jan., 10 a.m.

Straits and Burmah—Per Upada, 28th Jan., 10 a.m.

Batavia, Semarang and Sourabaya—Per Tjitaroom, 28th Jan., 11 a.m.

Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marselles (Late Letters 11 to Noon. Extra Postage 10 cents). (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)—Per Dumbear, 28th Jan., 11 a.m.

Shanghai, North China Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States and South America via San Francisco (Europe via Siberia)—Per Persia, 28th Jan., noon.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 28th Jan., 1.15 p.m.

Philippine Islands—Per Tean, 28th Jan., 3 p.m.

Burmah—Per Temiya-maru, 28th Jan., 5 p.m.

Fort Bayard, Halphong, Pakhoi and Saigon—Per Si-kiang, 28th Jan., 8 a.m.

Swatow—Per Haimun, 29th Jan., 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Kaijo-maru, 29th Jan., 9 a.m.

Haiphong, Pakhoi and Saigon—Per Hanoi, 29th Jan., 9 a.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 29th Jan., 1.15 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Bohemia, 29th Jan., 5 p.m.

Shanghai, North China, Tsingtau, Weihaiwei and Chefoo—Per Fengtien, 29th Jan., 5 p.m.

Kudat and Sandakan—Per Borneo, 30th Jan., 9 a.m.

Haiphong, Pakhoi and Saigon—Per Sigan, 30th Jan., 9 a.m.

Japan via Kobe—Per Japan, 30th Jan., 11 a.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 30th Jan., 1.15.

Shanghai and North China—Per Chinhua, 30th Jan., 3 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Choyang, 30th Jan., 5 p.m.

Shanghai, North China and Japan (Europe via Siberia)—Per Himalaya, 30th Jan., 5 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haimun, 31st Jan., 9 a.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 31st Jan., 1.15 p.m.

Philippine Islands, Timor, Australia, Tasmania, and New Zealand via Port Darwin—Per Eastern, 1st Feb., 10 a.m.

Japan via Moji, Honolulu, Manzanillo, Salina Cruz, Callao, Arica, Iquique, Valparaiso and Coronel—Per Kiyomaru, 1st Feb., 10 a.m.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Yokohama—Per E. F. Ferdinand 1st Feb., 10 a.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Sabine Rickmers, Dutch s.s., 573, de Vries, 25th Jan.—Shanghai 22nd Jan. Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Tjitaroom, Dutch s.s., 3,666, Y. R. Rup, 25th Jan.—Mikie 21st Jan. Coal.—J. C. J. L.

Yushun, Chi. s.s., 1,079, E. H. Pratt, 25th Jan.—Shanghai 22nd Jan. Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Temiya Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,942, K. Yamada, 25th Jan.—Muran 14th Jan. Coal. M. B. K.

Haiching, Br. s.s., 1,287, W. C. Passmore, 26th Jan.—Swatow 25th Jan. Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Sexta, Ger. s.s., 992, Jensen, 26th Jan.—Bangkok and Swatow 25th Jan. Gen.—Chinese.

Wongkoi, Ger. s.s., 1,115, H. Altman, 26th Jan.—Bangkok via Swatow 25th Jan. Rico.—B. & S.

Opland, Nor. s.s., Eriksen, 26th Jan.—Takao and Swatow 25th Jan. Case oil.—A. P. & Co.

Somali, Br. s.s., 4,192, W. W. Cooke, R.N.R., 26th Jan.—London 14th Dec. Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Sikiang, Fr. s.s., 615, E. de Catalano, 26th Jan.—Haiphong 24th Jan. Gen.—M. M.

Johanne, Ger. s.s., 953, F. Ipland, 26th Jan.—Haiphong and Hoihow 25th Jan. Rico.—J. & Co.

Chinhua, Br. s.s., 1,349, Benson, 26th Jan.—Shanghai 23rd Jan. Ballast.—B. & S.

Hanoi, Fr. s.s., 739, Maguereto, 26th Jan.—Haiphong and Pakhoi 23rd Jan. Gen.—A. R. Marty.

Hsin Chang, Chi. s.s., 1,262, F. Hamblin, 26th Jan.—Canton 25th Jan. Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Wingsang, Br. s.s., Leshman, 26th Jan.—Canton 25th Jan. Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Shimosa, Br. s.s., 5,221, H. S. Best, 27th Jan.—New York 24th Nov. Gen.—D. & Co.

Dumbear, Fr. s.s., 3,219, Sellier, 27th Jan.—Yokohama Kobe and Shanghai 24th Jan. Gen.—M. M.

Shansi, Br. s.s., 1,232, Simons, 27th Jan.—Canton 26th Jan. Gen.—B. & S.

Mishima Maru, Jap. s.s., 5,270, A. E. Moses, 27th Jan.—Shanghai, Gen.—N. Y. K.

Murex, Br. s.s., 3,006, H. Miles, 27th Jan.—Tarakan 20th Jan. Liquid fuel.—A. P. Co.

Furst Bulow, Ger. s.s., 4,999, Taeger, 27th Jan.—Shanghai 23rd Jan. Gen.—H. A. L.

Volute, Br. s.s., 2,995, Wilton, 27th Jan.—Kobe 20th Jan. Ballast.—A. P. Co.

Siam, Br. s.s., 981, H. Prynie, 27th Jan.—Canton 27th Jan. Ballast.—Lamke and Rogge.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Jan. 25.
 Changchow, for Shanghai.
 Jan. 27.
 Furst Bulow, for Hamburg.
 Chipshing, for Hongay.
 Siam, for Hongay.
 Wingsang, for Shanghai.
 Dumbear, for Marselles.
 Yushun, for Canton.
 Rubi, for Cebu.
 Somali, for Yokohama.
 Pakata-maru, for Singapore.
 Chinhua, for Canton.

DEPARTED.

Jan. 26.
 Haimun, for Swatow.
 Telemachus, for Saigon.
 Lina, for Shanghai.
 Daigimaru, for Tamsui.
 Shengkiang, for Newchwang.
 Jan. 27.
 Yushun, for Canton.
 Ariake-maru, for Mikie.
 Hakata-maru, for Straits.
 Rubi, for Philippine Islands.
 Iwate, Jap. flagship, for Amoy.
 Chikuma, Jap. cruiser, for Amoy.
 Yahagi, Jap. cruiser, for Amoy.
 Tushima, Jap. cruiser, for Foochow.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per s.s. Yushun, arrived 25th inst. from Shanghai:—
 Love L.
 Per s.s. Somali, arrived 26th inst. from London, &c.:—
 Ballantine, Mrs. Hoole, Miss B. A.
 Kynock, Mr. & Mrs. G. W.
 Coleman, Mr. & Mrs. W. H.
 Mrs. F. A. Muir, Mrs. Chalmers, J. S. Mills, Lt. S. H. Collins, O. Wood, Miss M. Emery, C. Wakon, G. Grandy, A. J.

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 27th at 11.50.—The anticyclone has weakened and moved eastward. It now central over the Yellow Sea.

Pressure has decreased moderately over China, and increased moderately over Japan. It is nearly stationary over Coochin China and the Philippines.

The monsoon will be interrupted to the north of Foochow, and will moderate over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.
 1 Hongkong and Neighbourhood. N.E. winds, moderate; fine.
 2 Formosa Channel. Northerly gale, moderating.
 3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lamocks. The same as No. 1.
 4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register.
 27th January, a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind.	Force.	Weather.
Westock	7a	30.53	14	74	—	0	b
Nemuro	6a	30.20	—	—	—	—	—
Hakodate	—	30.32	—	—	—	—	—
Tokio	—	30.38	—	—	—	—	—
Koshi	—	30.57	—	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki	—	30.56	—	—	—	—	—
Kshima	—	30.55	—	—	—	—	—
Oshima	—	30.46	—	—	—	—	—
Naha	—	30.38	—	—	—	—	—
Ishijima	—	30.37	—	—	—	—	—
Bonin Is.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chefoo	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Whaiwei	—	30.522	87	—	—	3	c
Hankow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ichang	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kiukiang	—	30.6130	—	—	—	1	c
Changsha	—	30.6029	—	—	—	0	c
Gutzlaff	—	30.4838	—	—	—	3	cv
Sharp P.	7a	30.5348	—	—	—	1	c
Amoy	6a	30.4847	70	—	—	1	b
Swatow	—	30.4944	—	—	—	3	b
Taihou	5a	30.44	—	—	—	2	—
Taihu	—	30.37	—	—	—	2	—
Tainan	—	30.36	—	—	—	4	—
Koshun	—	30.34	—	—	—	8	—
Plores	—	30.56	—	—	—	4	—
Canton	9a	30.5145	68	—	—	2	b
H'kong	6a	30.4350	70	—	—	2	c
Gap Rock	—	30.39	—	—	—	5	c
Macao	—	30.4050	—	—	—	2	c
Wuchow	9a	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pakhoi	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hoihow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phulien	6a	30.4154	—	—	—	2	c
Tourane	—	30.2688	—	—	—	6	c
O. St. J.	—	30.1168	—	—	—	2	f
Aparr	—	30.2167	—	—	—	3	d